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RESPONSE

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SIR:

This is in response to the outstanding office communication dated August 5, 2005. Applicant respectfully requests an extension of the term for response until February 6, 2006.

All necessary fees in connection with this application should be deducted from applicant's deposit account number 01-1944.

Attached hereto is an executed Declaration by applicant under 37 CFR 1.132 to be made of record in support of the attached remarks, for overcoming the rejection in the above-identified office communication.

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As attested to by applicant in paragraph 7 of the Declaration under 37 CFR 1.132, any person with ordinary skill in the art after reading the subject specification can easily select the volume and a composition for the reaction buffer to be used for the assay of HBV particularly after reading Examples 4, 5 and 14.

The applicant also attempted to explain the concerns of the Examiner regarding whether one skilled in the art would believe that SDS would affect a reaction of the core antigen and the antibody probe.

For all of the above reasons, applicant requests that the rejection of the claims under 35 USC 112, first paragraph, be withdrawn and that the claims be allowed.

Respectfully submitted,

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